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1. Chulu (朱魯), a town about 20 miles east of Yitu (118-28, 36-43), is a Chinese Communist center for prisoners in Shantung. The exact number of prisoners held in this area is not known, but it is believed that there are "several hundred." Villages surrounding the town are all used for the quartering of prisoners.
2. The general treatment of prisoners is good. Ordinary soldiers and minor officials are given millet for food, whereas prisoners of higher rank have both millet and flour. Each prisoner must prepare his own flour from wheat and cook his own food. Food and clothing are adequate for all.
3. Prisoners are subjected to Communist training and indoctrination. They are divided into discussion groups and are obligated to discuss various problems, which they are asked to present at these meetings. On one occasion the discussion was centered on whether the Communist military forces could effect a crossing over the Yangtze River. All prisoners were required to comment and were obliged to support their statements with reasons.
4. One of the prisoners was TUNG Shou-ching (董綬青), one-time director of the Shantung Relief Committee under the Nationalist Government at Tsinan. When TUNG was first brought to Chulu, he was confined for ten days to a room and was not allowed any freedom of movement. After ten days, he was permitted to move about in the yard, and later, in the village proper.
5. After two months of training in the camp, TUNG was released on condition that he return to Tsinan to take up residence. At an opportune time, however, he returned to Tsingtao by using the pass of another individual which had been issued by the Communist authorities. He arrived in Tsingtao in mid-March.
6. General WANG Yao-wu, former Nationalist military commander, is also a prisoner here. In comparison to the other prisoners, WANG was given better food, including four or five ounces of meat weekly. Such preferential treatment may be explained by the Communist effort to create a good impression. Eventually, many prisoners are given the choice of returning to Nationalist territory or remaining under the Communist regime.

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